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Mob Law in Kansas.

Burning negroes alive at the stake for the most horrible of all crimes in the calendar, can no longer be charged against orado is chargeable with the most sickening

of the law in permitting it. would have followed proof of an attempted

The Leavenworth lynchers were not troubled by any such scruples. They pro- tail stores, just so long will the depart ceeded to the last extremity without pity, ment stores be prosperous and flourish. and without the color of justification which might be claimed in a clearly proven case. No excuse for their cruel and inhuman act can be found. As for the public officials who stood by and supinely allowed the majesty of the law to be outraged, hanging is simply too good for them.

The Horror Trial at Paterson.

The strangest thing in connection with the trial of the Jennie Besschieter outrage and murder case at Paterson is that four reputable lawyers in the whole State, or country, for that matter, could have been found to act voluntarily as counsel shopkeepers in Paris and Brussels put for the defence.

A newspaper that dared to say a word partment stores and easily hold their own in apology or excuse for such a heilish crime as the tormentors of the murdered Simply by furnishing better articles of mill girl are charged with, or that even their own especial manufacture and unventured to argue against the propriety of derselling the large houses. But how de lynching the prisoners, would be treated they do this asks our "swell" small shopforever after as unworthy of belief or tol- keeper or retailer! Because they are not eration. Yet here are four members of swells. They do their own work if me the har in good standing—one of them en chanics and stand behind their own countex-judge—who do not hesitate for a money ters if shopkeepers. They live over the consideration to go into court and fight stores or shops-their wives or daughters relentlessly to save these unutterable are their bookkeepers and assistants criminals from the just consequences of their sons are their helpers and clerks;

Of course some people may think that they essay to do their work within them-there is an answer to this indictment in selves. Now take the case of our own the public guarantee that every person ac- retailer or shopkeeper. In France one cused of crime shall have the right to face rent covers everything. Here there is not his accusers in open court and to be as- only a shop rent, but there, is a house sisted in his defence by counsel learned in rent as well, with a servant or two to the law. If in the Bosschieter case the pay, and a clerk or two to eat up profits prisoners, on being arraigned, had been found to be without counsel, and espetith family. In fact, what we need and ially if for the excellent reason that no lawyer of respectability could be found to successfully compete with the department soil his hands in so foul a cause, the court store will be a new development of honwould have assigned counsel, and, in the csn, upright, industrious, and economical circumstances, would have felt bound to select men of undoubted ability. Under such conditions any member of the bar could conscientiously accept a position from which as an officer of the court he could not escape, and do his level best for the accused. But, in our view, no selfrespecting barrister conceivably could undertake such a defence, except upon legal compulsion. These lawyers whom we are criticising we fancy will live to realize tue truth of that proposition, and the consequences of fanoring it.

Department Stores.

Anything that radically interferes with, or practically changes a long existing condition of business affairs, especially to the financial loss of a class of small manufacturers or retail merchants in nearly all of our cities and villages, is sure to evoke criticism and protest on the part of those whose profits are seriously interfered with, if not altogether eliminated, and who, in many cases, are obliged to give up an established vocation and abandon an henest method of gaining a livelihood which less than half a generation since seemed to warrant them in be- or to question the entire innocence of the lieving that it would amply sustain and comfortably support them and their families to the close of their lives.

It is, of course, a great hardship for

any man of middle age, or even beyond circumstances being considered, can only it, who finds himself compelled to seek a be regarded as, not only indelicate, but new avocation in declining years in order indecent. to fill with bread the mouths of those who are dependent upon him, and he naturally feels bitter and discouraged. Most of the men who find themselves so stranded among the rocks and shoals of busines life, in their hot indignation at the trusts and great department stores which have wrested their living from them protest against what they term the existence of a state of society and organic law that will accept and permit such a condition of affairs without promptly finding some way to legally rectify it. As a matter of fact, a department store is simply the old-fashioned country cross roads store with a better business organization. It carries just such a stock of dry goods groceries, boots and shoes, caps and hats clothing, books and stationery, millinery and other edds and ends, only greatly enlarged and added to, and much more completely organized, as the old-fashioned country store used to do. In fact, the department store is no new thing at all. It is an old thing, organized on better lines, that is all there is to it, but failur to appreciate this fact led some of the legislatures of certain of our. Wester States a few years ago to try and legislate the department store out of busines which some of the astute solons though to be an easy task until they tried it. On of their committees who visited Chicag with this object in view was not a little ators who approve of what, on its face,

surprised to find that there could not be egally enacted a law that would deprive an honest and upright merchant from purhasing his goods in any market he chose and so long as he honestly paid for them selling them to whom and how he chesit prices that might be mutually satis actory to himself and his customer, and furthermore that the same law that pro tested the little retailer and shopkeeper whom they were anxious, for political casons, to help in his fight against his big competitor, equally protected the large nerchant, and that a practically prohibitory tax which they proposed to place apon each separate department in the toycott of the department stores by the shopkeepers and retailers and their fami-

ics and an agreement to patronize each other only, soon came to grief, from the fact that very soon the shoemaker discovered that the retail groceryman's wife was buying her shees at the department store, because as she claimed she got the as same shoes fifty cents cheaper, while the trunkmaker averred that the groceryman's wife had bought a new trunk down town Faily average (Sunday, 21,436, excepted). 39,363 It was only the natural desire of the in-

because the department store offered her the same trunk a dollar less than he did, dividual to spend his money where he could get best value for it that promptly busted the boycott. One of the most amusing things confence will bring speedy results. Great nected with the committee who came up Britain has never taken much nonsense the South as its peculiar institution. Col- from the State capital to investigate and from small States, the South African Redestroy the department stores in Chicago public and Orange Free State alone exmob execution of the kind in history, and was the fact that most of the members now comes Kansas with another which, al- while there patronized these very stores though a less inhuman offence in its de- in the interest of their wives and families The chambermaid in charse of Ch'na's tails, is rendered infamous by the evi- on the ground that they got better value Imperial seal, having consented, an impression of it was affixed to the Powers' home at the retail stores in their own collective note in her presence; after

dent treachery or cowardice of the officers for their money there than they could at As far as our information extends, the towns. This then is the reason for the negro who was lynched in the city of existence of the department stores; the Leavenworth yesterday, was guilty of an fact that they sell the same goods for attempted assault only. It is true that he less money or better goods for the same was suspected of a previous assault and money than do the small retail stores or murder, but we have not learned that there shops, for, as a matter of course, the was any tangible proof of this. Similarity customer will go where he can get the nstances and location in connec- best value for his money, as he has a tion with the attempt, and the other crime, perfect right to do, and as he is morally naturally marked the prisoner as probably bound to do in the best interests of himthe perpetrator of both. In most such self and family, especially if he is a wagecases a Southern mob would wait for evi- earner and not a capitalist, and that is, dence before resorting to the stake, al- as a matter of fact, the monetary status though it is certain that death by hanging of over eighty-five per cent of the retail customers of any town or city in this country. So long then as the department stores undersell the shops and small re-

ors and foreigners only, for the small

themselves in competition with the de-

retailers and shopkeepers who will be

content with small profits and heat the

great stores by doing everything possible

within themselves and furnishing better

Senator Pettigrew's Bombshell.

It is unnecessary to go behind an ac-

ion of unquestionable propriety to hunt

for a wrong motive. Hence, although

Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota may

strike the average mind as rather an ec

centric sort of Daniel to come to judgment upon a matter of political virtue we are

for the critical stand he took in the Sen-

ate yesterday, in relation to the nomina-

tion of Mr. James Harlan, of Illinois, to be

Attorney General of Porto Rico, and the

sudden promotion of Lieutenant McKenna

over the heads of hundreds of his regular

Senator Pettigrew expressed the view in

which this journal concurs, that while no

known cause exists to cast the slightes

reflection upon the character or qualifies

tious of the beneficiaries in the matter,

remotest connection with it of that justly

distinguished and honored jurist Judge

Harlan, still, the action of the Adminis

tration in the premises, the surrounding

The whole colonial system of Porte

Rico is on trial before the Supreme Court

of which Judge Harlan is the senior mem-

ber. A decision supporting the Consti

tion on the issue created by the Adminis-

tration in violating it, might operate to

abolish the insular carpetbag Executive

Council, its running mate, the opera

bouffe House of Delegates, and the Porto

Rican Attorney Generalship, all at one

sweep. The astounding impropriety un-

der such conditions of appointing a son

of the judge whose vote may possibly be

decisive in the case, to an office subject

to continuance or abolition by that vote

while the cause is pending, cannot be

Mr. Pettigrew called attention to the

very evident persecution of Major Russel

B. Harrison, because of his father's de

fence of the Constitution against its Ad

ministration assailants; but affairs of

that kind under the present regime hav

become too much a matter of course to

excite much comment. The Harrison epi

sode is completely overshadowed by the

others. Senator Pettigrew was right in

insisting that, if the Senate is determined

to endorse an executive "departure from

right principles," hitherto unheard of i

the country's annals, and always believed

yea and may vote. Then the public will

have a chance to learn the names of Sen-

to be impossible, it shall be done by a

open to question.

army superiors in rank to be a staff ma-

goods at lower prices.

jor in the Philippines.

It is the advantages of organization and of aggregated capital, and owing to the peculiar habits and manner of living o the retail or shop-keeping class in our country it is bound for some years to maintain its ascendancy, that is until a new and more sensible class of shookeepers and small retailers develop along the lines of the prosperous small storekeeper in Brussels and Paris, who snaps his fingers at the great stores in his own cities, whose patronage is generally from visit-

looks suspiciously like an effort on the

The so-called "republic" of Santo Lo-

part of the executive to influence the

MINE WORKERS' CONVENTION. Action Taken by the Delegates in Pennsylvania.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 16 .- The conation of mine workers at Edwardsville adjourned at noon today and this after-noon the delegates and the local unions of Edwardsville paraded.

This morning a resolution was adopted, their profits are most reasonable, and lefining the wishes of the district in regard to tile action to be taken when the present agreement with the operators expires April 1, but for obvious reasons this

was not made public. The resolution will be sent to the national convention which meets in Indianapolis next week. It is understood on good authority that the men are satisfied with the present conditions for the time peing and that the only concession that

As far as can be learned from the operators, there will be the same objection this that there was during the last rike and the operators mean to hold to-

ether against it. A strong resolution was adopted at the session this morning, calling upon all the 53 locals in the district to suppress the ndency of some of the men to go on rike at the slightest provocation, and reatening to take away the charter of y local union that allows men to strike thout first presenting their grievnces to the union and receiving the or-

III-Guided Reform Movements. (From the Baltimore Herald.)

oct disposed to do less than praise him

A Scandalous Proceeding.

Accomplishments of Democracy.

(From the Chicago Chronicle.) can democracy produced a nation energetic and self-reliant that ti

Trusts and the Drama.

(From the Chicago Tribune.)

Trusts which control the production and the ordinary articles of commerce are nough, though they are a natural outgre the present commercial system. But what was once called dramatic art passes into bestute control of a syndicate of business he situation is repugnant to every principle rifistic growth and against public policy.

Navy Promotions.

mere opening of a door of opportuni e enlisted force in our navy could no o stimulate self-respect and worthy amb and thus tend to increase the efficient men behind the guns, through giving the ce for rise

Stratton's Spirit Dealings.

(From the Western Morning News.)

A quaint custom was fully observed at Straten on St. Andrew's Day (old style). At a very arty hour a number of youths pass through he different parts of the town to the accommuni-nent of the blowing of a remarkably unmelolious orn, the fearful strumming of tin pans, etc., briving out, presumably, any evil spirits which aunt the place-greed, fraud, drunkenness, gluttony, and their companions. The hand bell ingers follow, gently inviting more acceptable pairls—content, fair play, temperance, chastity, and others. After a anitable pause the church aclls ring out, in perls of eight, a hearty wel-

VACANCIES IN THE NAVY.

New Register Shows 151 in Junior Bills Introduced and Resolutions Ofaction of the judicial branch of the Gov-Lieutenant and Ensign Ranks.

The new Naval Register will be ready for issue to the service in a few days. mingo, being utterly bankrupt and its The vacancies from both causes during the

cans and taken the custom houses from er they wish or not. This compulsory rethem. Here would seem to be just cause | tirement is required in order to create the for interference by the United States. But | even flow of promotion and prevent the | A bill was introduced by Mr. Via making | North Carolina. Hardly a Legislature | amendments to the code relating to toll | has met in ten years without enacting be well advised in assigning to one of the favored trusts—oil, sugar, asphalt, or to-bacco—and "let nature take her course."

Venezuela is becoming an international storm centre in more ways than one. Not content with championing the cause of a small American syndicate against a great American campaign contributing trust.

I found deficient at the Naval Academy, found deficient at the Naval Academy. One marine officer also preferred civil life to the section or a fractional part. Mr. Cushwa introduced a bill giving mechanics the right to sell all unclaimed archevery grade and rank in the navy. Two were rear admirals, six captains, three commanders, and others of lesser rank. Several of the highest ranking medical men and two colonels of the Marine Corps shall have been completed.

American campaign contributing trust.

American syndicate against a great
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and thereby getting into trouble with the
United States, the Caracas Government
has dared to twist the tail of our ally,
the Lion, by seizing two British vessels
on the Orinoco River, and turning them
into gunboats for use against the Andrade
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into River. The change against a great
and two colonels of the Marine Corps
reliequished active service.

The deaths numbered thirty-three and
comprised four rear admirals, one comretired officers, and the others of all
grades. Only one officer was discharged
and one dropped. Not one was dismissed
and only two naval cadets suffered that
disgrace.

rebels. The chances are that this last of- disgrace. output of Annapolis Now the output does not diminish the vacancies to any appreciable extent, owing to the increase of reclable extent, owing to the increase of tirements and the large casualty list.

kingly signatures attached, with huge red seals to the original copies of treaties and royal documents of various sorts on

Pennsylvania Blast Furnace Employes Threaten to Strike

TO FIGHT A WAGE REDUCTION.

SHARON, Pa., Jan. 16.—The blast furnace employes of the Mahoning and Sheningo Valleys have decided not to accept the 15 per cent reduction in wages which the operators announce will go into effect on February 1. Representatives from every furnace in the two vallays held a hass convention yesterday and decided o strike on that date if the operators in-sisted upon carrying out the proposed reided to night the reduction to the bitte

The operators claim that the low price f pig iron and the fact that wages have been out of proportion, caused them to reduce wages. If a strike should occur, and it is probable it will unless the furmace operators make reasonable concessions, twenty-nine stacks in the two valeys will be out of blast on the morning of February 1, and 3,500 men will be idle The operators say the reduction will sure

SUICIDE OF A BALTIMOREAN f. W. Polk Ends His Life in a Lodg. ing House.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.-M. W. Polk, of Baltimore, was found dead in bed this norning in his room at a lodging-house it 51 Courtlandt Street. He committed uicide by closing his room tightly and arning on the gas before he went to bed ast night. Polk was about fifty year

old.

Polk registered at the lodging-house two days ago, and paid for his room in advance. When the body was discovered this morning the police of the Church Street station were notified, and they in turn, sent word to the coroner. There were a lot of letters and papers in the dead man's pockets, but no money.

In a letter to J. K. Polk, whose address is given on the unsealed envelope which contained it as 1894 North College Street, Baltimore, and whom the police believe to be a son of the suicide, Polk

believe to be a son of the suicide, Polk said that he had grown tired of his struggle against poverty and adverse

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATION.

fered at Charleston.

finances in unutterable confusion, an past year were numerous, and the retirements, both voluntary and under the age members, three from the House and two ceived by North Carolina store order, furnish capital, fund the limitation, were larger than during any debt, and was authorized to control the similar period for years.

Inches, both voluntary and under the age inches, three from the Senate, be appointed to examine years from residents in Northern into the comforts of the inmates and concustoms revenues of the State in liquidation. Now the Santo Domingan Government has violently dispossessed the American School for the Deaf and Blind at Romney. The matter was referred to the judiciary formerly went to Oklahoma or Scuth Da-

anderstand that the Weed concern, the stagnation that afflicted the navy for roads and turnpikes. Toils may me de- new laws and adding new causes for pose in trouble, is not a pet of the Admin-stration. If that vew be correct, it would be well advised in assigning to one of the

Mr. Davis presented a bill amending the

the Old Guard.

Gen. Leo Rassieur, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was present last night at the regular weekly meeting of the Old at the regular weekly meeting of the Old of the Grand Army of the Republic, was present last night at the regular weekly meeting of the Old of the Council of the Old of the Republic of the Council of the Old of the Republic of the Council of the

FUNERAL OF MIFFLIN MARSH.

Finndreds of Employes Attend the Obsequies in Wheeling.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan 16.-Several undred stogiemakers and scores of toacco manufacturers attended the funeral of the late Mifflin Marsh, the father of the Wheeling stagle, which occurred yester-day. The employes of the Marsh facto-ries and those of other plants assembled at Beethoven Hall and marched to the at Beethoven fiall and marched to the cemetery to witness the burial of the man who originated and helped on to success the peculiar style of smokers' goods manufactured so extensively here of late years. Mr. Marsh was in his eighty-third year. Since 1840 he had been in business, in Wheeling and not until a few months ago did he forego the cares imposed by the daily routine of his big shops on Water and Twelfth Streets, where 200 or 320 men sit every working day in the year rolling ut the long, thin Wheeling stogies.

THE GRIP AT BUFFALO. Tweaty Thousand Cases and No Re. lief in Sight.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 16.-Health commissioner Wende announced this norning that there are 20,000 cases of grip in Buffalo, and no indications of th abatement of the epidemic. The estimate is based on reports made by physicians and is considered as nearly accurate. ste as a report of this kind can be.
The weather continues mild with a simost every day, and unless or weather comes soon. Dr. Wende fee

here will be 50,000 cases in Buffalo nother week. He believes the practic of expectorating on the sidewalks tend to spread the disease, and advocates rigorous enforcement of the order not expectorate in streets cars.

A Unique Gospel Manuscript.

(From The Scotsman.)

The Bibliotheque Nationale, in Paris, has ently acquired a manuscript of remarkable crest and beauty. It contains a considerart of St. Matthew's Gospel, the text being cribed in art of St. Matthew's Gospel, the text being cribed in exquisite golden uncials upon pury architect, while several of the pages are unin ated by beautiful miniatures depictiones in the life of our Lord. This splend urple and gold codex is said to be unique, i was obtained from Asia Minor, and is ascrib y experts to the time of Justinian.

IN THE HOTEL CORRIDORS.

S. L. Watkins, of Raleigh, N. C., is at the Raleigh, Mr. Watkins is a well-known CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 16.-The politician of North Carolina, and speakfirst business in the House yesterday was the presentation of a joint resolution by morning. "A great number of been lately rekota. New their eyes are turned toward

"The independent or the native party of mining laws so that the Governor shall appoint for each five mining districts an incomprised four rear admirals, one commodore, a grade now extinct except for retired officers, and the others of all grades. Only one officer was discharged and only two naval cadets suffered that disgrace.

The register shows that there are 151 vacancies in the ranks of junior lieutenant and ensign, which, under the present rate of annual assignments from the graduating class at Annapoits, can sear-ely be expected to be filled. Never before has the register shown such a remarkably large number of vacancies in the two lower grades of the line. Three years ago there were hardly sufficient for the annual that they should provide the filled. Never before has the register shown such a remarkably large number of vacancies in the two lowers and a chief mining inspector, who shall supervise and control all mine inspectors of West Virginia. The chief is to shall supervise and control all mine inspectors of West Virginia. The chief is to have reports from the five inspectors made to him and he is given the power to remove the inspectors of cause and fill the vacancies. The term is four years.

Mr. Grant introduced a bill to control weeds, as follows: "It shall be the duty of every person or all persons or corporations holding lands in this State, either by lease or otherwise, on which Canadian thisties, ox-eye, daisy, wild parsnips, or brown ledge may be growing to cut the same so in connection with the General Land Office, about matters pertaining to lands in the Hawaiian Islands. I am connected as to kill it."

Office, about matters pertaining to lands in the Hawaiian Islands. I am connected with the Public Land Office in Honolulu, and have lived in the islands more than the neglect or incapacity of a fellow-ser-

collective note in her presence; after which she put it under the bed again to diminish the tracencies to any apport to diminish the tracencies to any apport to the imbility return to his own. That corner is now turned, but it does not lead the allies into Easy Street, by any manner of means. They are now on the eve of a tolent collision with the indemnity and other questions, concerning which they are in more or less in more or less in the fer and Manner.

The PHILIPINO PETITION.

A Unique Document Both as to Matter and the first the mounts it looks as if the Concert might go in pieces inside of a fortnight.

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deported what he said was a widespread
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the young that the cause which their
fathers fought for and lost was a right
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Union was a wrong. He said further that
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Mamma D ar met Your Lother will not keep limself clean?"

The Six-year-old-Well, mamma, it is hardly reasonable to expect a three-year-old child to ake a deep interest in his personal appearance.

(From the Philadelphia North American.)
"With nothing induce you to change your mind it marry?" he asked.
"Another man might." she replied.

The philadelphia North American.)

During the liness of Max Muller at the end of last year public prayers were offered in a Hindoo temple at Madras for his recovery, a distinction Turned Down.

(From the Philadelphia Times.)
Borrowit-Say, old man, lend me a fiver, will Markley Sorry, but I'm not making any per-nament investments just now.

Sure Thing. (From Puck.)

Ethel-So would I, Such men as that almost ways come of rich and influential families. Visitor (at dime nuseum)—Are you the living Museum Fren's (tired of the Resented.

eleton?
Museum Frenk (tired of the question)—I don't
ok like a dead one do L Absent-Minded. The nurse excitedly and joyously announces an attresting family event that the absent minded cofessor has forgotten all about.

"Professor, a little boy!"

"Well, ask him what he wants."

Nothing of the Kind.

The action of Carter's Little Liver Pills is pleasant, mild, and natural. They gently schmu-late the liver, and regulate the bowels, but do not purge. They are sure to please. Try them.

NOTES OF THE DAY.

It requires eight years for some sorts of wood to

St. Petersburg is soon to have a home for self-upporting working women.

In Switzerland no one under the age of four-een is allowed to become a wage-earner. In the State of Montana there are about 20, 000,000 acres of unoccupied public lands. There is \$50,000,000 worth of champagne in bottles stored in the vaults of wine producers in

Great Britain's public income for the fiscal ear since last March has increased \$14,060,000;

The Cape to Caîro telegraph has now been laid to a point fifty miles beyond Kasanga, in German East Africa, and 100 miles beyond the southern end of Lake Tanganyika.

California newspapers are rejoicing over the liscovery that while 200 Mediterranean lemons yield only 19.50 ounces of critic acid, 300 Cali-fornia lemons yield 26.64 ounces. Eugene F. Smith, a full-blooded Oneida Indian, has entered a medical college in Milwaukee and

Astronomers are discussing the theory that the

The distribution of Congressional garden seeds this year will be the largest ever made, it is said, the appropriation for this purpose having in-creased from \$139,000 to \$170,000, which will add 3,000 packages of seeds to each Congressional

The Countess of Warwick, one of the beauties of the English court, has finally tired of shop-keeping and has sold her establishment in Bond

Chicago papers print a story of an Irish setter owned by a policeman of the Rogers Park station that traveled over a thousand miles from the home of an Indian in North Dakota, where it had been left.

Certain doctors in New York attribute the grip partly to the great amount of dust whiring about the streets. Doctors in other cities have a diff-erent theory and none of them seems to be certain of their premises. All, however, agree that the critical control of the control of the critical c

In Philadelphia a charitable society that has been in operation cighty-three years has given away every day for fourteen weeks during each cold season 75 gallons of soup and 350 loaves of bread. The superintendent has been connected with the work sixty-four years. The town of Beebe Plain is on the border line

between Vermont and the Canadian Province of Quebec, the line running through the middle of the principal street. The postoffice for both countries is in the same building, which was built some seventy-five years 2go. The new electric railway at Paris has proved a

The main gateway of the Paris Exposition ands and the statue "La Parisienne" which

A penny luncheon, opened in Chicago by the St. Luke Society, has been so successful that it is to be followed by nineteen others. Every article on the menu is I cent, and the bill includes coffee, with sugar and cream; doughnuts, soup, weinerwurst, pork and beans. In one day no less than 1,200 were fed at this room.

Notwithstanding the warnings repeatedly given

A collection of biotting papers in the possession of an American citizen is estimated to be of great value. Fach sheet contains the blotted impression of the handwriting of a President, and all the chiefs of the Republic since 1841 are represented.

A hustling expressman was ordered to deliver

A flisting expression was ordered to deliver-nine cases of canned goods at the house of E. A. Woltmann, in Plainfield, N. J. Instead he bundled into his wagon nine cases of dynamite, and he dropped them in Mr. Woltmann's house in a great herry. The dynamite was intended for John T. Wilson, who runs a quarry at North Plainfield. The blunder was discovered in time to prevent an accident.

What Bothered Him.

(From Tit-Bits.)

At a college examination a professor asked:
"Does any question embarrass you?"
"Not at all, sir," replied the student. "Not at all. The questions are quite clear. It is the mswers that bother me."

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The science of astronomy, the oldest in the world, is making great strides at the present epoch in the earth's history. A multitude of observatories are now co-operating in a great programme of observation for improving our knowledge of the distance between the earth and sun. Fully half the resources of the Lick Observatory have been devoted to this work for two months past and the observations will not be concluded for some time in the future.

last year public prayers were offered in a Hindoo temple at Madras for his recovery, a distinction

A Danish expedition, composed of three physicists and an artist, left Copenhagen recently for Finland with the object of studying the Aurora

Finland with the object of studying the Aurora Borealis. The chief station will be established at Usjoki, in North Finland, where the expedition will remain three mouths. Spectroscows and magnetic researches will be carried out. The expedition is the second of its kind despatched under the auspices of Dr. Adam Paulson, director of the Copenhagen Meteorological Institute.

An answeing case of hero-worship plus theft is reported from Magdeburg. The Kaiser, who was shooting in that district, had just hit a very fine hate. Before the keeper could bag it a man was seen to dart from behind a tree, pick up the hare and make off as fast as his legs could carry him. The offer of a reward of 25 led later to the discovery of the hare-litter, who is a respectable inhabitant of Berlin. He was filled with an ordent desire to possess some genuine treasure as a keep-sake of the Emperor.

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Many French artists and literary men have been l:anced in the Legion of Honor on the occasion of the late Paris Exposition. Bonnat, the painter (From the Chicago Tribune.)

"Why, that's a genuine Raphae!" said the other, surprised and delighted.

"Not at all." replied Mrs. Gaswell, with cold istinctness. "My husband never engages in tilles. He bought that picture in the regular ay and paid cash for it."

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